



MOCK ORAL BOARDS CALL FOR EXAMINERS

The Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons invites you to participate in the Mock Oral Examinations on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Due to the continuing spread of COVID and for the safety of all involved, the Mock Oral Examinations will be held virtually again this year.

In 2017, the efficacy of the MPACS mock oral examinations was evaluated and found that MPACS mock oral examinees had an 87.5% first-time success rate on the American Board of Surgery Certifying Exam (ABS CE) versus 76.8% for all examinees from the same included training programs ($p < 0.01$). Passing the mock oral exam had a positive predictive value (PPV) of 89.5% for first-time success on the ABS CE. We also found most examinees had not otherwise began preparations for the boards. This data was presented at the 2017 American College of Surgeons and the 2018 Association for Surgical Education meetings (published in JACS).

The 2021 examinations will be held in two sessions: 9:00 AM-10:30 AM and 10:30 AM-12:00 PM. Examiners will be expected to be available from 8:30 AM-12:30 PM on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Examiners should plan to connect to the virtual platform by 8:30 AM for a brief organizational meeting and remain available virtually until approximately 12:30 PM to conclude the exams and debrief on submission of evaluation forms.

For each PGY-4, -5 level resident, graduate, or fellow from your program who participates in the Mock Oral Examinations, we need one surgeon faculty member to participate as an examiner (1:1 ratio). There will be a \$45 fee per resident to participate (this fee will be used to cover the cost of hosting the Mock Oral Boards so that we can continue to offer this valuable program). Each program will be billed in November for the number of examinees participating.

Participating examiners will be asked to choose preferred topics for the examination. You will be notified of your final assigned topic in order to minimize repetition. Per the American Board of Surgery, the [Certifying Exam](#) is aligned with the [SCORE Curriculum](#).

Examiners must complete the form below in order to participate:

[MPACS - Events \(mp-acs.org\)](#)

All examiners/examinees must be received by October 22, 2021 to coordinate schedules. A follow-up email will be sent with additional examinee information. Thank you for your support of this program, and we look forward to seeing on November 6th.

Renee Tholey, MD, FACS
Mock Oral Board Co-Chair

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Mock Oral Board Co-Chair



MOCK ORAL BOARD EXAMINER REGISTRATION

ACS ID:

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

INSTITUTION:

ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP:

PHONE:

MOBILE PHONE:

EMAIL:

SPECIALTY:

MPACS MEMBER? YES NO, would like information

EXAM TOPICS (SELECT A MINIMUM OF THREE)

BREAST CA

DIVERTICULITIS

COLON CA

ACHALASIA/GERD

PEPTIC ULCER DISEASE/STOMACH CA

INGUINAL HERNIA/VENTRAL HERNIA

TRAUMA

THYROID/PARATHYROID

ADRENAL

SKIN CANCER

SARCOMA

GALLBLADDER

PANCREATITIS

PANCREATIC CA

CRITICAL CARE

APPENDECTOMY

ESOPHAGEAL CA/ESOPHAGECTOMY

CAROTID DISEASE

AAA

PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISEASE

OTHER –

Please complete and return to MPACS Chapter Office (info@mp-accs.org) by October 22, 2021.